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MEMORANDUM # 264

TO :

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FROM :

SUBJECT: Overlays of Federal Republic-Czechoslovakian and Federal Republic GDR Borders

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1. Attached under separate cover are four rolls of overlays of the Federal Republic borders with Czechoslovakia and with the GDR. They were given to me [redacted]

[redacted] They represent the situation as of the end of the year and will be brought up to date every two months. I was asked to forward them with the proposition that D/G copy the overlays:

- a. Breaking them up into sizes that will fit over the quadrangles (1/25,000).
- b. Changing the symbols to standard conventional symbols.
- c. Putting the overlays on acetate so that they can be changed with a grease pencil
- d. Putting them into some sort of book with protective covers.

It was suggested that if [redacted] could do this and supply [redacted] with three or four copies, each border team could be given the responsibility for keeping overlays of its sections of the border current. Team information could be transferred to a master copy [redacted] every couple of months and photographed. The photographs could be sent [redacted] so that it could correct its copies. It was believed this would help [redacted] in preparation of border studies as it would always have data no more than two to three months old. It was also believed that this system would make it possible for Army units in Germany having to spend three weeks in laborious copying every time some crash request comes through for current border information. The overlays could be photographed at any time for a current picture of the desired section of border.

2. Bob and I pass the suggestion, and the overlays along, without attempting to judge the technical feasibility of the proposal. (Actually I wonder about whether one can photograph acetate overlays in such a way that you can use the photographs to bring headquarters copies up to date.) If the proposal is not feasible, make any copies you want for your own use and return the originals to me so that I can return them [redacted]

Copy of memo plus enclosures to Acting Chief/G by hand 12 March 1957.

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